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SUBJ: BIOGRAPHIC DATA ON NEW IMO DIRECTOR BEHSERESHT

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1. NEW DIRECTOR OF IRANIAN METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION IS LT. GENERAL ASGHAR BEHSERESHT.

2. BEHSERESHT WAS BORN IN 1917 IN TABRIZ. PREVIOUS POSITIONS INCLUDE INSTRUCTOR AT IIAF STAFF COLLEGE, CHIEF OF G-3, DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF OF PLANS AND PROGRAMS, DEPUTY CHIEF OF IIAF, DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION OF SUPREME COMMANDER'S STAFF, AND MOST RECENTLY, VICE-COMMANDER OF IIAF. HE WAS RETIRED FROM THIS LAST POSITION AND THEN RECALLED TO ASSUME DUTIES OF IMO DIRECTOR.

3. HE IS REPORTEDLY A QUIET AND EFFICIENT MAN WHO HAS HAD CONTACT WITH AMERICAN MILITARY THROUGHOUT HIS CAREER. HE HAS MADE SEVERAL TRIPS TO THE U.S. AND APPARENTLY HAS NUMEROUS FRIENDS AND POSSIBLY SOME RELATIVES RESIDING THERE. HE IS MARRIED, WITH THREE GROWN CHILDREN. HE SPEAKS ENGLISH FAIRLY WELL, BUT SOMETIMES HAS COMPREHENSION PROBLEMS.

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